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CRIME VICTIM SERVICES PRESENTS INFORMATION TO PROSECUTORS

Staff from MDOC's Crime Victim Services (CVS) joined the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan (PAAM) at the 2005 Annual Crime Victim Rights Training Seminar held at Boyne Mountain. The conference brought together experts from across the country to provide information about key topics related to victim rights issues.

Crime Victim Services recognizes that victims of crime often need services long after an offender has been incarcerated. The department offers support services to crime victims after an offender's conviction and ensures the rights of crime victims are recognized and protected during the correctional process.

Ruth Schueller, Acting Supervisor of CVS and Karen Balasses, Crime Victim Services Technician educated those attending the seminar on the Michi-



Karen Balasses, Representative William Van Regenmorter, Ruth Schueller, and Lisa Kirby Carter at the training seminar.

gan Crime Victim Notification Network (MCVNN). Currently, all registered individuals with Crime Victim Services are also registered with MCVNN as a safety measure to ensure that they receive automated notification of released offenders.

Michigan Prisoner ReEntry Initiative (MPRI) information was also presented. Jim Yarborough, Executive Planning Liaison of MDOC Research and Strategic Planning, gave an overview

of MPRI. Lisa Kirby Carter, Crime Victim Services Technician outlined information on the planning process and the MPRI Victims Committee. Cheryl Deschaine, FOA Programs Manager of the Gaylord area assisted with questions regarding parole and probation.

In addition to their presentations, CVS staff received training on Internet Crimes, Cyber Stalking, Advocates and Prosecutors Working Together and Grant writing.

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Representative William Van Regenmorter spoke on House Bill 4588. The bill would require MDOC or the Sheriff's department to notify the victim if the probation was revoked and the defendant was sentenced to the MDOC or to jail for more than 90 days.

"The passage of HB 4588 will enhance victim confidentiality and build upon the victim services already provided by DOC," said Rep. Van Regenmorter.

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SECC UPDATE

MDOC staff have pledged \$260,554 so far to this year's State Employees Combined Campaign (SECC). The 2,096 participants are part of the 8,167 State of Michigan employees who have pledged a total of \$1,377,487 to charities throughout the state. There is still time to sign up. The campaign continues through October 21.

Signing up for the SECC this year is easier than ever. There are no forms to fill out. Between September 19 and October 21, you may go online to MIHR self service at www.michigan.gov/selfserv or simply make a phone call to the service center at (877) 766-6447. Or, you may make a contribution by check, credit card or direct bill.

For information on the individual charitable organizations listed in the directory, go to www.misecc.org and select the name from the drop down list.

SAGINAW AND STANDISH CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES HOST HOCKEY BENEFIT

Saginaw and Standish correctional facilities hosted a hockey benefit game against the St. Louis correctional complex at Bay County Ice Arena recently.

The second annual event raised \$439 for Special Olympics. St. Louis correctional complex won the

event with a score of four to three.

The hockey game was organized by Inspector Fred Funston from Saginaw Correctional Facility and ARUS Troy Pendell from Pine River Correctional Facility.

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Peter Mason

FEATURED COUNSELOR

Peter Mason is the newest professional staff member of the Employee Service Program joining the Detroit Office in March, 2005.

As an ESP counselor Mason is available to provide assessment, referral and follow-up, traumatic incident stress management services, and education and training presentation services to state of Michigan employees. He has over twenty years of professional experience in the field of behavioral medicine and working with special populations such as youths at risk, dual diagnosis, criminal justice offenders and minorities. Part of that

work included providing specialized therapeutic services to probationers and parolees.

Mason also focused his efforts on working with men who are somewhat reluctant to seek assistance. He has provided mental health and substance abuse services to individuals and their families and also served as a clinical and program director managing inpatient, residential, day treatment and outpatient chemical dependence treatment programs.

He was an adjunct instructor with Marygrove College in Detroit teaching classes on the Treatment of Substance Abuse Disorders, How to Achieve Change via Community Involvement

and Organizational Development.

Mason holds a Master of Social Work Degree from Wayne State University, Detroit and a Bachelor of Science and Associate of Science in Alcohol and Drug Abuse Studies from Mercy College, Detroit. He is a Licensed Master's Social Worker with the State of Michigan, and a member of the Academy of Certified Social Workers with the National Association of Social Workers. He also trained with Dr. Jeffrey Mitchell of the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation to provide critical incident debriefings and defusings to employees who have experienced traumatic incidents.

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DIRECTOR CARUSO ANNOUNCES NEW VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS

Director Patricia L. Caruso has approved new language for the department's vision and mission statements.

The language was drafted by members of a work group of the Vision and Values Action Committee representing all areas of the department and was reviewed by Executive Policy Team members who made additional recommendations.

The new vision and mission statements will be published in the next Employee Handbook and will be the basis for a revised statement of purpose policy to be published soon.

"The new statements are intentionally direct so that they get to the point and are

memorable," said Darlene Schimmel, committee co-chair.

In addition to new vision and mission statements, the committee developed a ten question input request that was made available to every MDOC employee. Data was compiled from the 1,654 input requests that were returned to them.

From those replies the committee identified common themes and concerns and will soon provide a report to the director.

A short-term and long-term action plan to address those concerns will then be developed combining the four core values of Integrity, Excellence, Inclusion and Teamwork.

VISION STATEMENT

Our vision: INTEGRITY, EXCELLENCE, INCLUSION AND TEAMWORK GUIDE THE WAYS WE PROTECT MICHIGAN'S CITIZENS.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is KEEPING MICHIGAN'S CITIZENS AND OUR STAFF SAFE BY PROVIDING EFFECTIVE OFFENDER SUPERVISION IN OUR PRISON FACILITIES AND COMMUNITIES.

Action Plan Work Group: Darrin Blockett, Anthony McCloud, Cheryl Braxton, Jackie Nadeau, Sherry Burt, Pam Nelson, Carol Creed, Julie Pfaff, Kristie Dunn, Mary Robledo, Jeff Ferris, Joe Sattler, Nancy Gassman and Roger Grantham

Statement of Purpose Work Group: Kathy Arnold, Joe Bouchard, James Brown, Jeff Ferris, Pablo Olvera, Dan Welihan, Robin Welke and Donna Wilson

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BELLAMY CREEK CO-WORKERS PULL TOGETHER FOR INJURED CASE MANAGER



Neighbors Scott DeVries & Mark Hiler, IBC RUO Larry Shepard, IBC RUM Ed Hosey, IBC RUM Mitch Vroman, IBC Sergeant Don Wise and IBC DIT Bob Gundy gather on the new ramp.

Bellamy Creek Correctional Facility Case Manager Paula Rose was involved in a serious motorcycle accident. She suffered broken bones and required three surgeries.

On Saturday August 20 friends and neighbors got together to build a handicap ramp at her home. The ramp was required before she could return home.

Designed by neighbor Mark Hiler, friends, neighbors and co-workers worked

throughout the day to get the ramp completed. Bellamy Creek staff also assisted with the cost of the ramp.

Rose's neighbors Mike Yaw and his wife supplied food and beverages for the work crew and neighbors Dana Hiler and Tracey DeVries did general house cleaning for the Rose family.

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CALHOUN COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT PROBATION OFFICE AIDS RED CROSS DISASTER RELIEF



Calhoun County Sheriff's Department Sue Miller, MDOC Agents Linda Chapman, Avar Laws-Wright, Jessica Gridley, Valeri Patterson, and Diane Brandt

The Calhoun County Circuit Court Probation Office held a bake sale and raffle raising \$1,037 to benefit the American Red Cross Disaster Relief.

In addition to her fund-raising work, Agent Diane

Brandt volunteered her time to help Hurricane Katrina victims. She recently spent two weeks working in Virginia through the American Red Cross investigating housing and services options for Hurricane Katrina victims.

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MDOC PROMOTIONS THROUGH AUGUST 14, 2005

RAMSEY, MALINDA	PAROLE/PROBATION OFFICER	FOA REGION II
PETERSON, KENTA D	CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPV-1	SCOTT FACILITY
BLUNT, CLEVELAND	CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPV-2	SOUTHERN MICH.
EDWARDS, KEITH	CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPV-2	RIVERSIDE FACILITY
GATSON, LEE C	CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPV-2	SCOTT FACILITY
HILL, JOHNNY	CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPV-2	MOUND FACILITY
SMITH, ARTHUR K	CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPV-2	THUMB FACILITY
CAMPBELL, SHERMAN B	CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPV-3	SOUTHERN MICH.
JAMES, W	CORRECTIONS SHIFT SUPV-3	IONIA MAXIMUM
SMITH , DANIEL T	DEPARTMENT ANALYST TRAINEE-E	CENTRAL OFFICE
BROWN-WARD, SUSAN M	DEPARTMENT TECHNICIAN-A	CENTRAL OFFICE
DOWNING, LYNN	DEPARTMENT TECHNICIAN-A	CENTRAL OFFICE
DEAN, HARMONY L	DEPARTMENT TECHNICIAN-E	CENTRAL OFFICE
MCCUNE, DAWN M	DEPARTMENTAL TECHNICIAN-E	CENTRAL OFFICE
USITALO, JAMES	DEPUTY PRISON WARDEN-3	OJIBWAY FACILITY
ALEXANDER, CHARNITAMY F	EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-E	CENTRAL OFFICE
DENNY, JULIE A	EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-E	CENTRAL OFFICE
HUNTOON, JENNIFER L	INDUSTRIES SUPERVISOR-1	MICH. STATE INDUS.
JACKSON, CAROLYN	PAROLE/PROBATION OFFICER-E	FOA REGION II
SCHAPPA, CHAD M	PAROLE/PROBATION OFFICER-E	FOA REGION III
UNION, ANGELA A	REGISTERED NURSE MANAGER-2	HURON VALLEY
STRICKER, SUSAN G	REGISTERED NURSE MANAGER-4	HURON VALLEY
SPRADER, SCOTT B	RESIDENT UNIT MANAGER-2	NEWBERRY FACILITY
BRIGGS, CYNTHIA L	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	SAGINAW FACILITY
BROWN, LEONARD J	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	RIVERSIDE FACILITY
CHALTRAW, AARON E	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
COOKLIN, STEPHEN G	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	SAGINAW FACILITY
DRAKE, DAVID A	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
DRAKE, TIMOTHY N	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	BELLAMY CREEK
GIESKEN, MICHAEL	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
HARTER, ARTHUR A	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
HEINZE, JEREMY	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
JEWELL, KENNETH A	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	NEWBERRY FACILITY
KIMBALL, JOHN T	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MACOMB FACILITY
KOWALSKI, DENA A	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MACOMB FACILITY
KURISH, MARY H	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
MCINTOSH, JANEIRO M	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	SAGINAW FACILITY
MCQUEEN, EALYONIE	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
MOE, MICHAEL J	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
PASCH D, EREK W	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
ROWLEY, REBECCA L	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
SHELTON, DANA	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	BELLAMY CREEK
ZAMARRIPA, JAMES	RESIDENT UNIT OFFICER-E	MID-MICHIGAN
ANDERSON, JEFFREY W	STATE ADMIN. MANAGER-1	CENTRAL OFFICE
KOSINSKI R, D	STATE ADMIN. MANAGER-1	CENTRAL OFFICE
MOSHER, JAMES	STATE TRANSITIONAL PROFSNL-E	CENTRAL OFFICE

OCTOBER IS FAMILY HISTORY MONTH IN MICHIGAN

We all belong to a family with traditions and heritage that reflect who we are and where we come from. To encourage each of us to discover the unique stories of our own ancestors and how they weave into the fabric of Michigan's heritage, Governor Jennifer Granholm has proclaimed October Family History Month (www.michigan.gov/familyhistory).

The Department of History, Arts and Libraries is celebrating with a series of nearly 40 events - most of them free - throughout the month of October. These programs offer opportunities for you to explore your family history using the many resources available at the Michigan Library and Historical Center, including one of the country's top 10 genealogy collections.

Some of the highlights of Family History Month include:

MICHIGAN ORAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Saturday, Oct. 15 - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

MICHIGAN GENEALOGICAL COUNCIL SEMINAR

Saturday, Oct. 22 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FAMILY TREASURES ROUND TABLE

Saturday, Oct. 29 - 2 to 5 p.m. In this version of "Antiques Roadshow," guests can bring family treasures and heirlooms to our panel of experts for advice on how to best preserve the objects. Appraisers will also be on hand to talk about the value of various items.

STEPPIN' BACK IN TIME: CELEBRATE FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Saturday, Oct. 29 - from 7 to 9 p.m. This free concert with the nationally recognized Lansing band Steppin' In It is the finale to Family History Month. Both the music the band writes and the instruments they play are steeped in Michigan's history. Advance tickets are available through Elderly Instruments in Lansing. Call (517) 372-7880 for ticket availability.

Family History Month also features programs covering genealogy, including *Beginning Your Genealogy Research*, *Family History and Your Health*, *Genealogy of a House*, *Online Photograph Database Workshop*, *The Rare Book Collection and Genealogy Research*, *Michigan Land Ownership Records and Historic Landscapes*, and many more. For a full Family History Month schedule or to register for programs, visit www.michigan.gov/familyhistory or call (517) 373-1300. All of the Family History Month activities will be held at the Michigan Library and Historical Center, located at 702 W. Kalamazoo St. in Lansing.

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HARVEST GATHERING—OCTOBER 24 THROUGH NOVEMBER 4

Harvest Gathering is a statewide initiative that helps to fill the food banks in Michigan. About one million people in Michigan will need to use a food bank this year. These are individuals and families facing emergencies or struggling to make ends meet.

This year the food banks have requested that donations include plenty of tuna and peanut butter. Your local committee will be providing you with more information about Harvest Gathering and how you can support this important charity. **F.Y.I.**



MICHIGAN TO HOST ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN EXECUTIVES IN CORRECTIONS

On November 5 and 6, Ann Arbor, Michigan will be the site of the tenth annual training conference of the Association of Women Executives in Corrections (AWEC).

Dr. Mary Livers, Deputy

Secretary of the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services is scheduled as the keynote speaker.

A panel of high level executives from Rhode Island, Indiana, and Ten-

nessee will continue the discussion of the keynote topic, "What it Means to Lead When You're Not Number One."

Attendance is limited to members or those eligible for membership. For

questions or registration information contact Luella Burke, AWEC Executive Director at (231) 845-1789 or e-mail aburke9534@aol.com.

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NATIONAL SEX OFFENDER PUBLIC REGISTRY



On July 20, 2005, the Department of Justice launched the National Sex Offender Public Registry (NSOPR), a searchable Web site that links state and territory sex offender public registries and allows users access to public information about sex offenders throughout the country. The NSOPR, which currently links to 22 state registries, including Michigan, offers information on almost 200,000 registered sex offenders nationwide.

Eventually all states will link to the site, giving the public access to information on all 500,000 registered sex offenders in the United States. A single query from any Web-capable computer allows NSOPR to deliver instant matches on sex offenders, including detailed information and often photographs from state public registries.

Users can initiate local, state, and national searches based on a name, zip code, county, city or town. Plans are in place to provide additional NSOPR options, especially radius searches and mapping capabilities.

NSOPR was built in partnership with federal, state, and private sector partners while allowing states to maintain control over their data. Once a query is entered, NSOPR simply "delivers" users to the state site hosting the information. The NSOPR currently gives millions of concerned citizens easy-to-use and free access to information on two out of every five registered sex offenders in the United States

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